

# Exhibit 44

**In The Matter Of:**  
*Chapman vs. Avon Products, Inc., et al.*

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*Dr. William Longo, Vol. 3  
October 3, 2022*

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*Abrams, Mah & Kahn Reporting Service*

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<p>1 You have not validated by SAED, EDS, or EDXA any  2 finding of chrysotile in talcum powder from a Cashmere  3 Bouquet container, correct?  4     <b>A. Still haven't.</b>  5       Q. You have not validated identification of  6 chrysotile and any talcum powder by SAED, correct?  7       <b>A. We have not done TEM on that yet, but we have  8 validated it because we have looked at the chrysotile that  9 we're finding. We have compared it to standards that has  10 the same size of chrysotile, which shows the same type of  11 dispersion and light, shows the same type of refracted  12 indices.</b>  13       <b>We have been validated by Mickey Gunther that the  14 SG 210 has the, quote, orangeish-yellow to blueish  15 dispersion. And in my opinion, the thought that we are  16 misidentifying fibrous talc for chrysotile, I think it's  17 actually reverse. Defendant experts are misidentifying  18 chrysotile for fibrous talc. So when you say we haven't  19 validated it, there is no requirement that PLM analysis  20 has to have -- also pass muster yet. And you have to  21 have TEM.</b>  22       <b>So I just want to make it clear that we have not  23 analyzed it by TEM at this point. We have -- have a few  24 samples where we have SEM that shows that shows that it is  25 in the same sample. And we will get there, but as far as</b></p>	<p>1 fraction crepes drawn from Cashmere Bouquet?  2     <b>A. Not yet.</b>  3       Q. Have you used all of your light fraction material  4 to load SEM stubs, or do you still have material  5 available?  6       <b>A. Well, we have maybe 3 or 4 milligrams available.</b>  7       Q. Have you loaded any SEM stubs at all yet?  8       <b>A. Not yet.</b>  9       <b>MR. SLAUGHTER:</b> Thank you, Doctor. That's all  10 the questions that I have for you.  11       Counsel, for the record, we would just ask that  12 you preserve the Cashmere Bouquet materials so that we can  13 get our own splits to the extent that they're being tested  14 again or -- and/or give us notification when those tests  15 will be done.  16       That's all I have.  17       Thank you, Doctor. I appreciate your time.  18       <b>EXAMINATION</b>  19       <b>BY MR. SCULLY:</b>  20       Q. Dr. Longo, Tom Scully here. Can you hear me?  21       <b>A. I can.</b>  22       Q. Dr. Longo, what we're going to do is we are going  23 to mark as the next exhibit in order your supplemental  24 report for Avon talcum powder, which is dated  25 September 30, 2022.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Page 607</p> <p>1 <b>I'm concerned, we have validated it.</b>  2     <b>MR. SLAUGHTER:</b> Object to the nonresponsive  3 portion, but thank you for that answer.  4     <b>BY MR. SLAUGHTER:</b>  5       Q. Are you still in the beta phase for method  6 development for identifying chrysotile in talc?  7       <b>MR. BUHA:</b> Vague and ambiguous.  8       <b>THE WITNESS:</b> Yes. We're now running the SG 210  9 and looking at different variations of heavy liquid to  10 maximize it starting from scratch. So it's been since  11 we -- well, we've had these SG 210s for a while and forgot  12 about them. But that is -- that is the best product right  13 now because it is -- the refractive indices are almost  14 identical. They're within a few thousandths of a  15 refractive indice.  16       And once that is -- once we have that -- have  17 that maximized, so I can publish it, and then we'll go on  18 to TEM.  19       <b>MR. SLAUGHTER:</b> Thank you.  20       Object to the nonresponsive portion.  21     <b>BY MR. SLAUGHTER:</b>  22       Q. Couple more questions. And I think Dr. Longo,  23 you sort of answered this already, but I just want to be  24 clear. And I'll be done in one minute.  25       Has your lab commenced testing by SEM, the light</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Page 609</p> <p>1       (Exhibit 43 marked for  2 identification.)  3     <b>BY MR. SCULLY:</b>  4       Q. Do you have that?  5       <b>A. Yes.</b>  6       Q. Dr. Longo, is that report 87 pages total?  7       <b>A. That seems about right. I don't have page  8 numbers on it, but if I were to count them all up, I would  9 think that's what it was.</b>  10       Q. Dr. Longo, is this now your final report for  11 Avon?  12       <b>A. For these two, I hope so.</b>  13       <b>MR. BUHA:</b> Calls for speculation.  14     <b>BY MR. SCULLY:</b>  15       Q. Doctor, are you prepared to vouch for the results  16 of this report?  17       <b>MR. BUHA:</b> Vague. Ambiguous.  18       <b>THE WITNESS:</b> Yes, sir. This -- this supplement,  19 I believe, cures a few of the problems associated with the  20 other one.  21       <b>MR. SCULLY:</b> No further questions.  22       Let the record reflect that was under one minute  23 of questioning.  24       <b>THE WITNESS:</b> I'm impressed -- very impressed.  25       <b>MR. LANKFORD:</b> Anyone else before I ask my few</p>

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1           **MR. SCULLY:** Can we have seven more hours?

2           **THE WITNESS:** Well, that's never up to me. I  
3 think it's --

4           **MR. BUHA:** I don't have anything further. I'll  
5 reserve at trial.

6           We can go off the record.

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